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Günter Schubert et al.
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For: METHOD FOR SETTING A PROCESS FOR THE
MANUFACTURE OF SEALING SEAMS

DECISION ON
PETITION

This is a response to the PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.181(a) TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT filed May 18, 2004. The petition requests that the abandonment, as set forth in the Notice of Abandonment of May 13, 2004, for failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter of October 10, 2003, be withdrawn since the applicants did timely file a response thereto on October 21, 2003. (A copy of the papers filed October 21, 2003 and a copy of the PTO date-stamped return postcard indicating receipt of the papers by the USPTO is attached to the instant Petition.)

DECISION

The instant request has been accepted as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.181 (no fee) - no abandonment-in-fact. A review of the USPTO application file reveals that applicants' response was properly filed on October 21, 2003 in view of the fact that applicant have enclosed a copy of the PTO date-stamped postal receipt dated October 21, 2003 indicating that the response was successfully received.

The Petition is **GRANTED**.

The application shall be forwarded the the Group Art Unit's Legal Instrument Examiner for entry of the Revocation of Power of Attorney, New Power of Attorney and change of correspondence address (all filed on April 30, 2003). After entry of these papers, the application will be forwarded to the examiner for processing and consideration of the response filed October 21, 2003.

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